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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ROGERS of Michigan (for himself and Mr. FOSSELLA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. FUEL ECONOMY FUND AND ALTERNATIVE**
4 **FUEL GRANT PROGRAM.**

5 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF FUND.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—There is established in the
7 Treasury a Fuel Economy Fund (hereinafter in this
8 Act referred to as the “Fund”) consisting of

1 amounts transferred to the Fund under paragraph
2 (2) and amounts credited to the Fund under para-
3 graph (3).

4 (2) TRANSFER OF AMOUNTS.—For fiscal year
5 2007, and each fiscal year thereafter, the Secretary
6 of the Treasury shall transfer to the Fund an
7 amount determined by the Secretary to be equal to
8 the total amount deposited in the general fund of
9 the Treasury in the preceding fiscal year from fines,
10 penalties, and other moneys obtained through en-
11 forcement actions conducted pursuant to section
12 32912 of title 49, United States Code, including
13 moneys obtained under consent decrees.

14 (3) INVESTMENT OF AMOUNTS.—The Secretary
15 of the Treasury shall invest in interest-bearing obli-
16 gations of the United States such portion of the
17 Fund as is not, in the Secretary's judgment, re-
18 quired to meet current withdrawals. Such obligations
19 shall be acquired and sold and interest on, and the
20 proceeds from the sale or redemption of, such obliga-
21 tions shall be credited to the Fund in accordance
22 with the requirements of section 9602 of the Inter-
23 nal Revenue Code of 1986.

24 (4) USE OF AMOUNTS IN THE FUND.—Amounts
25 in the Fund shall be made available to the Secretary

1 of Energy to carry out the grant program described
2 in subsection (b).

3 (b) ALTERNATIVE FUELS EXPANSION GRANT PRO-
4 GRAM.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Energy
6 shall, through the Clean Cities Program of the De-
7 partment of Energy, establish and carry out a grant
8 program to expand the availability to consumers of
9 alternative fuels. A grant awarded under this section
10 shall not exceed \$30,000.

11 (2) ELIGIBILITY.—Any entity that is eligible for
12 assistance through the Clean Cities Program may be
13 eligible for a grant under this section, except that no
14 large, vertically integrated oil company may be eligi-
15 ble for a grant under this section. No entity may be
16 awarded grants totaling more than \$60,000 in any
17 fiscal year.

18 (3) USE OF GRANT FUNDS.—Grants provided
19 under this section shall be used for the construction
20 or expansion of infrastructure necessary to increase
21 the availability to consumers of alternative fuels (as
22 defined in section 32901(a)(1) of title 49, United
23 States Code). Not more than 3 percent of grant
24 funds may be used for administrative costs.

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